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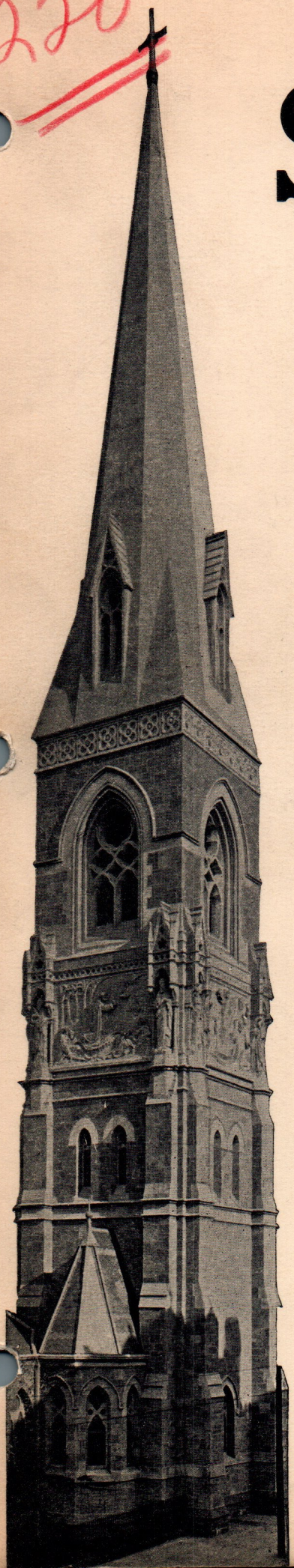
John Mockridge

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH

22nd and Walnut Sts.—Philadelphia



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Your Attention

FOR A

MOMENT

PLEASE

Do not beg, borrow or steal!!

THIS WILL PRESENT

THE

REPRESENTATIVES

OF

SAINT JAMES'S CHURCH

22ND & WALNUT STS., PHILADELPHIA

WITH A MESSAGE FOR YOU

FIRST OF ALL

LET'S CONSIDER THE CHURCH

ST. JAMES'S CLERGY ARE AT YOUR SERVICE AT ALL TIMES

The Rev. John Mockridge
Rector

The Rev. Benjamin R. Priest
Associate Rector

SICKNESS, DEATH, TROUBLE OR ANY OTHER
EMERGENCY, DAY OR NIGHT
CALL RITTENHOUSE 3840

ST. JAMES'S IS ALIVE!

St. James's holds regular services every day in the week:-

SUNDAYS	8 & 11 A. M.	8 P. M.
WEEKDAYS	7:30 & 9 A. M.	5:15 P. M.
THURSDAYS	(EXTRA SERVICE)	12:05 P. M.
HOLY DAYS	(EXTRA SERVICE)	10 A. M.

THE CHURCH IS OPEN DAILY FOR MEDITATION AND PRAYER, AND ALL ARE WELCOME TO USE IT

IN ADDITION TO REGULAR SERVICES

St. James's is also the center for a great many other Services of Special Character. A few of these Special Services, in addition to the normal number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Weddings, Funerals, etc., held during 1938 are listed here:

January 2 - Bethlehem Tableaux

January 4 - Candle Light Service for Churchwoman's Club

February 2 - Diocesan Junior Woman's Auxiliary Pilgrimage

March 13 - Bach Cantata

March 16 - Special Service for Discussion Club

April 10 - "The Crucifixion" - Cantata

April 12 - Special Service for Churchwoman's Club

April 27 - Special Service for Diocesan Altar Guild

April 29 - Special Service for Mother's Union

May 1 - "The Little Pilgrims and the Book Beloved" - Pageant

May 5 - Diocesan U. T. O. Service

May 10 - Special Service for Churchwoman's Club

May 19 - Choral Society and Bach Choir

October 19 - Dresden Choir

October 29 - Society of the Companions of the Holy Cross

October 30 - Bach Cantata

November 2 - Diocesan Altar Guild - Quiet Day

ST. JAMES'S IS TRULY A HOUSE OF WORSHIP FOR ALL PEOPLE

ST. JAMES'S HAS ONE OF THE FINEST CHOIRS IN PHILADELPHIA

Dr. Alexander McCurdy

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About a year ago St. James's established a unique Choir School for boys. In addition to the men, twenty boys, in return for their service as Choristers, are given Scholarships at the Episcopal Academy. These Scholarships are provided by members of the parish. At the Academy the boys receive, in addition to their regular education, daily training in singing and in Church Music. The Choir School is under the able direction of Dr. Alexander McCurdy, head of the Organ Department at the Curtis Institute, assisted by Mr. Richard Purvis, Organist at St. James's.

Richard Purvis

THE BEST OF THE GLORIOUS MUSICAL HERITAGE OF THE CHURCH IS TO BE HEARD AT ST. JAMES'S

ALL THIS IS PAID FOR AND SUPPORTED

BY THE CONTRIBUTIONS AND GIFTS OF THE MEMBERS OF ST. JAMES'S PARISH

This is as it should be. Provision for the Worship of God rightly depends upon the support of the worshippers, and our people have always seen that adequate provision is made. The Church is open, the Services are held, and the Clergy serve. The budget made necessary by this phase of our work is met,

BUT

PLEASE TURN THE PAGE

OUR WORK IS NOT

LIMITED

TO

OUR DEVOTIONS

"FAITH WITHOUT WORKS

IS DEAD."

WE ALSO HELP SUPPORT

THE DOMESTIC

AND

WORLD WIDE WORK

OF THE

GENERAL CHURCH

THE DIOCESE

THE UNITED STATES

THE WORLD

This is our normal part in the Church's Program, and we assume it as our normal duty as Church People. Perhaps we are selfish. We want to keep the Lord Christ. We know the only way to keep Him is to give Him away. And so we give over $4500 a year toward the work.

WE ALSO OPERATE THE GUILD HOUSE

2210 SANSOM ST.

IN WHICH IS CARRIED ON

AN EXTENSIVE COMMUNITY AND

SOCIAL WORK

OUR OWN PEOPLE MAKE CONSTANT

USE OF THE GUILD HOUSE

Our Parish Organizations:

Vestry

Woman's Committee

Acolyte's Guild

Young People's Group

Mothers' Club

Woman's Auxiliary

Linen Work Society

Badminton Club

Choir

Choir Mothers

Altar Workers

All have access to the facilities provided here for the carrying on of their work. Here are the Church Offices with rooms for the Clergy. Here are living apartments for members of the staff. Club rooms and a gymnasium, rooms for meetings, a large assembly hall available for social or indoor athletic events, all constantly open to our own people are here in the Guild House. However,

THIS WORK DOES NOT STOP WITH WHAT

WE DO FOR OURSELVES!

BEING A CHURCH WORK, IT IS THEREFORE A CHRISTIAN WORK

CONSEQUENTLY, WE

SHARE

WHAT WE HAVE WITH OTHERS

It is one of our greatest privileges to make our facilities available to as many people as possible. The Guild House is used by a great number of organizations and groups which have no connection with St. James's except as we are able to make them welcome and share with them the advantages we have here. Out of this sharing have come results of great and far reaching value.

A FEW OF THE RESULTS OF
OUR SHARING WILL BE FOUND
ON THE NEXT PAGE

IN ST. JAMES'S GUILD HOUSE

Was begun, many years ago, the work which has since become the "Big Brother Association", noted for its splendid and well recognized work among boys and young men.

Was formed a Club for Business Women which has resulted in the National League of Business Women's Clubs.

Is a mantle piece made by a group of boys under the direction of Mr. J. Liberty Tadd. Out of this group, meeting here, grew the whole Manual Training program in American Education.

Was held, during the Great War, the meeting out of which grew the present modernization of the United States Army Ambulance Corps.

THESE FEW EXAMPLES INDICATE

THE NATURE OF A WORK THAT IS

STILL GOING ON

NOW
IN THE GUILD HOUSE
THERE MEET

The Churchwoman's Club of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, which maintains permanent furnished Club Rooms for over 900 members.

The Daughters of the British Empire, an organization of women given to Social and Charitable work. Out of their work, centered at the Guild House, has come the Victoria Home in New Jersey, one of the finest institutions of its kind.

The Comrades of Arms, a ~~neutral~~ mutual benefit organization for Policemen.

The Stonemen's Fellowship, out of one of whose meetings came the modernization of the United States Ambulance Corps already mentioned.

The Rummage Sale Committee of the Cooperative Shop which sells surplus stock at greatly reduced prices.

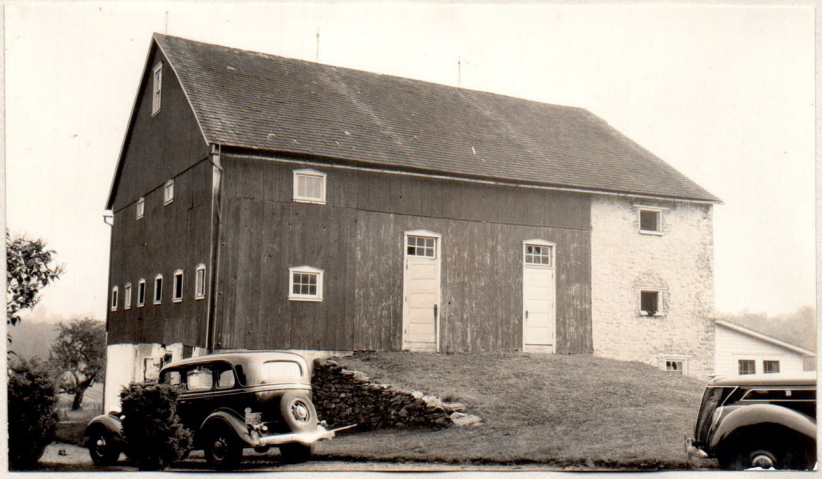
A Public Speaking Class which is really a Forum and Discussion Group, and from which no opinion is ever barred.

THESE AND OTHERS ARE ALL ENGAGED

IN CONSTRUCTIVE WORK.

WE ARE PROUD TO BE OF HELP.

WE ALSO HAVE A FARM AVAILABLE TO OUR OWN PEOPLE AND MANY OTHERS FOR VACATIONS AND REST



For sixteen years we have maintained a summer place at "Clear Spring Farm" near Quakertown where we have a fully-equipped Camp, with permanent Buildings. Last summer the Camp was used as a Diocesan Camp for boys and was called "Camp Taitt." Always we have gladly allowed the use of the place to groups and individuals from other Churches, as we had opportunity.

THIS PART OF OUR WORK
MUST NOT BE LET GO!

IT IS NOT AN EXTRA! IT IS A VITAL PART OF OUR CHRISTIAN CONTRIBUTION TO THE WORK OF "HIM WHO CAME AMONG US AS ONE THAT SERVETH."

WE MUST CONTINUE TO

SERVE

THIS SERVICE, THE GUILD HOUSE AND FARM, COSTS FROM

$4000 TO $5000

OVER THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CHURCH ALONE, AND OUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE WORK OF THE GENERAL CHURCH. THIS AMOUNT WE HAVE NOT BEEN RAISING!

IF IT IS OUR DUTY AS CHRISTIANS TO SERVE - WHAT IS OUR DUTY IN REGARD TO THIS AMOUNT WHICH IS NECESSARY FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF OUR SERVICE?

WE LEAVE THE ANSWER

TO YOU.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, PHILADELPHIA

November 12, 1938

Dear Friends:

This Annual Letter about St. James's finances is sent to you while our visitors are at their work, to supplement and make complete the information they give you.

The Letter has two parts, - (1) our needs for 1939; (2) our present situation.

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Our needs for 1939

Salaries, wages & pension premiums	$15,285	
Music	6,000	
Heat, light & power	2,400	
Insurance	600	
Printing & advertising	450	
Office supplies, telephone	400	
Altar & other supplies	215	
Repairs	700	
Taxes, interest, water	600	
Laundry	250	
Care of Organ	150	
Miscellaneous	300	
New Heater	1,000	
		28,350
Diocesan Assessments	1,410	
Missions	2,300	
		3,710
		32,060

The figures are very nearly the same as this year's. The new heater payments are added, but one or two other expenses are less. Salaries are for two clergy, two secretaries, verger, engineer, bell ringer, two part time helpers,- nine people. The other items explain themselves: but they include the maintenance of the Guild House as well as the Church. The Guild House expense is about $4,000 and it is this that causes our trouble and makes up our recurring deficit. We are going to try next year to deal with this problem more definitely, - but it is a problem.

How are we to meet next year's expenses?

1. Experience of other years tells us that in 1939 we shall get $10,500 from loose and special collections, from endowment income, from special gifts (from organizations, for the new heater etc.), and from miscellaneous sources.

2. Subtracting this $10,500 from the $32,050 needed, our task is to get $21,550, and our only way to do it is through your gift through the "System for Offerings", plus the gift of everyone else at St. James's.

Now, for a moment, please forget these large figures, and each of us think of himself or herself. What is my duty? What is my share?

Let me ask some plain, blunt questions. Do you spend more on cigarettes, on the movies, on cosmetics, on hairdressers, on drinks, on weekend trips, than you contribute to your Church? Do you sign your card without any serious thought? Does your gift really represent you?

I know that many of our System for Offerings gifts are generous and represent honest sharing: I am afraid I also know that many are just conventional "giving something to the Church." I know that if each of the four or five hundred people who read this will examine himself or herself and then fill out the card we shall have what we need and more.

So, for next year, let us take this great forward step at St. James's. We are going ahead, thank God. Let 1939's growth be in gifts sufficient to meet 1939's needs.

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Our present situation

When we began again at St. James's two years ago we had a deficit of $7,000. We still have it. Because your gifts have been less than the minimum cost of our work it has grown to $12,000. We must this year, that is in the next 6 weeks, cut a very large slice off it. It is not alarmingly large, but it must be smaller. In the two years you have seen St. James's come out of a position of weakness and uncertainty into one of steadily increasing strength. You are proud of this. You very much want to see the progress continue. Well, as with next year, so with the present situation, forget the big figure and think of your own gratitude and thankfulness that St. James's is so valiantly and strongly "coming back." Christmas is not far away. Am I hoping too much when I ask you to help towards a Christmas Gift for St. James's of $10,000.00? Four years ago you gave almost $25,000 in response to a similar appeal and we have made no special appeal since then. Of the $10,000 we want $7,000 to reduce the deficit, $2,000 for the Choir School and $1,000 to help to pay for the new heater. If each of you will begin now to get together your share of this Christmas Gift: if you will pray about it, talk about it, even badger your friends about it, we need not bother about the big figure. It's the many "small" sums that count, as well as the few "big" ones.

In conclusion may I say that never in all my years at St. James's have I felt more certain that God is blessing us here than I do now. On every side are plain evidences of new interest, new vigor, new strength. I love this place. So do you. Let us together pray, work and give to show our love.

Yours faithfully,

John Mockridge

P. S. Remember the Supper Meeting, Thursday, November 17, 6:00 P. M.